Exeter Public Library Trustees Minutes March 21, 2017

Present: M.McEntee, P. Sears, M. Lafreniere, B. Young, D. Leonard, S. Canty, H. Godino, L. Haslam and L. Wilson.

Call to Order: 6:30 pm The meeting was opened with a roll call. The slate of officers for the new term was voted in:

Chair- Barbara Young Vice-Chair-Mary Lafreniere Treasurer- Denise Leonard Secretary- Lisa Wilson

New Library Trustee Stephanie Canty was welcomed to the board.

The minutes from the February meeting were accepted with one spelling error.

Correspondence: -0-

Director's Report:

Operating Statement: Accepted by vote. March's statement is the actual budget with actual numbers.

Building Grounds and Technology: Architects are coming back to present their plans for the library renovation broken down into three stages:

- I Expansion and renovation of the Children's Room into the Meeting Room space.
- II Renovation of mezzanine to create study rooms and rooms for small groups to meet.
- III Build out toward Chestnut Street to expand and create a new Meeting Room.

These plans will be brought forward to a town wide meeting. A cost comparison will be done to see the difference between doing the project in the three phases as outlined or doing the project all at once. The library has been a popular topic at the town visionary sessions. Two trustees will attend the next session to represent the library.

Finance and Fundraising: -0-

Long Range Plan: -0-

Social: The Staff Appreciation Lunch will be on April 18, 2017 at 11:30. All library staff and trustees are invited to attend. Anyone who would like to contribute may call Lisa Wilson at 603-686-6400.

Continuing Business: -0-

Friends of the Library: A board has been established to run the Friends group. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, April 4, 2017 at 6:30. Everyone is encouraged to bring friends to the meeting. Goals of the Friends group include: completing the process to be able to accept funds for the library, fundraising for the library's and having more people supporting the library as an important part of the community.

New Business: NH Library Trustees Association Spring Conference is Tuesday, May 23 8-3:30 in Concord. Please check out the website to get more information **www.nhlta.org.** Let Hope know if you are able to attend. Deadline for registration is Monday, May 8, 2017.

Next Meeting: April 18, 2017 at 6:30.

Meeting adjourned at 7:09.

-Lisa Wilson